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Serial No.: 10/663,925

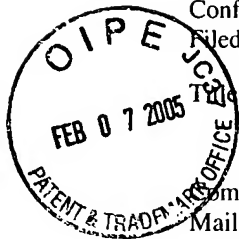
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Title: POLYMERS WITH SOFT SEGMENTS CONTAINING SILANE-CONTAINING GROUPS,  
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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

In accordance with the continuing duty of candor and good faith that is to be demonstrated before the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), enclosed are copies of documents which Applicants bring to the Examiner's attention as possibly being of interest in connection with the above-identified patent application. Per M.P.E.P. §609, the information cited in the present Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to be an admission that the information is, or is considered to be, material to patentability. Consideration of each of the documents listed on the attached 1449 form is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. §609, Applicants further request that a copy of the 1449 form, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next Official Communication.

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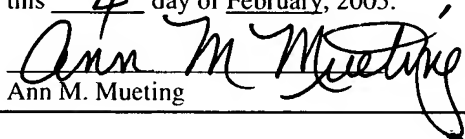
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The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Representatives at the below-listed telephone number if they can be of any assistance during prosecution of the present application.

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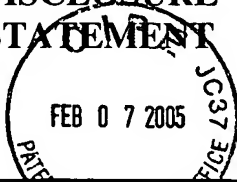
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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	X	WO 97/16467	05/09/97	PCT				
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## OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Authors, Title, Date, Pertinent Papers, etc.)

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	X	Schwendeman et al., "Precisely Placed Gem-Dimethyl Branching in ADMET Polyethylene," Abstract from poster, Spring National American Chemical Society meeting, Orlando, FL, April 7-11, 2002, <i>Polymer Preprints</i> , 2002, 43(1):280.
	X	Schwendeman et al., "Amorphous Telechelic Hydrocarbon Diols by ADMET," Abstract from poster, Spring National American Chemical Society meeting, Orlando, FL, April 7-11, 2002, <i>Polymer Preprints</i> , 2002, 43(1):282.

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